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Honorable Frank E. Moss
 United States Senate
 Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Moss:

Thank you for your letter of July 28, in which you requested background and interpretive material on the SALT Agreements of 1972. I am enclosing some material, all of which is unclassified, which I hope will meet your needs. It includes both information on the history of SALT, and interpretive data. The former is mainly to be found in the Chronology and Statements documents; the latter in the Transmittal Package sending the ABM Treaty and the Interim Agreement to the Senate, particularly the Secretary's article-by-article analysis of the Agreements and the agreed interpretations and unilateral statements. The three items in the GIST series provide useful information in briefer form.

We are in the process of preparing for the follow-on SALT talks, but no decisions have yet been taken with regard to them. Nevertheless, it is likely that the focus of SALT Phase II will be the achievement of a more complete limitation on strategic offensive forces.

Sincerely yours,

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David M. Abshire
 Assistant Secretary for
 Congressional Relations

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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I would appreciate any possible background and interpretive information your office could supply on the SALT Agreements of 1972, the ABM Treaty and the Interim Agreement on Strategic Offense Arms. I would hope that this information would include non-classified information on the history of the negotiations themselves and most importantly any interpretive data that is available on the agreements.

I would also appreciate receiving any available information upon the subjects of negotiation now being considered following the accomplishment of these two agreements.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Frank E. Moss

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United States Senator

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